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already been approved. Grimes said the contractor has agreed to bring in additional crews to complete the project and that he (Mayor Grimes) will continue to monitor the work.

The monthly financial statement indicates income is holding firm, however sales tax is \$26,000 below budget for the first seven months of the year while the 2¢ gasoline tax and

the gasoline excise tax are actually slightly above budget projections.

The council named Gladys Yelverton to a vacant position on the Zoning Board of Adjustments.

Grimes recommended the adoption of an ordinance selling a portion of the old school building (behind Tiger Park) to Foggy Bottom Enterprises

(owned by Jason and Johnny Holley). Grimes explained they plan to fix up the building, both inside and outside, for use with their existing medical supply businesses. The sale was for \$38,000.

Mayor Grimes resubmitted the South Alabama Mutual Assistance Agreement, which he said had been modified by the State Homeland Security officials. The council adopted it. This agreement will speed up help from neighboring communities during times of emergency.

Monthly bills totaling \$134,895 were approved for payment. \$23,077.04 was the largest amount on the itemized list, and it was for the purchase of vehicle fuel. Second highest was the bill for purchase of chemicals, including mosquito spray. This check for \$17,187.56 went to Coffee County Co-Op. Other bills were from a \$15,476 mortgage payment down to \$2 at a tire shop.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham was upset as he reported on the number of lights damaged on the levee walking trail. He said that any citizen who would report suspicious activities on the levee would be appreciated.

Grantham also reported that the limbs and trees knocked into the public roads in the afternoon storm Monday had been cleared. He added that most homes had already gotten electrical service restored by 6 p.m.

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sale a doublewide trailer (old portable classroom) at New Brockton Elementary School and old New Brockton High School band uniforms.

While discussing miscellaneous matters, board chairman Charles Walker asked the superintendent how things are looking for next year's budget.

Dr. Ingram did express a concern about the transportation budget indicating she is a "little worried." However, she added that regardless of the state budget, the Coffee County School System has the money to operate. She did stress that she does not want to have to go into the local funds any more than necessary, though.

Dr. Ingram noted the increase in gas prices had caused food prices to rise and also that utilities and insurance are going up. She said all of these increased costs take more local funds out of the budget. With this in mind, she encouraged everyone to "shop at home (in Coffee County and Alabama)."

Also during the miscellaneous discussion, board member Cullen McWaters said he wanted to ask questions about "certain political advertising accusations made against the board." He asked if there was a

shortage of textbooks, and he asked about the temperature of food transported to a lunchroom.

Dr. Ingram said she was aware of the advertising but was not aware of a textbook shortage. She did note an example of an occasion where maybe only a set of old literature books was kept but said she wasn't really sure what the advertisement meant.

In regards to the lunchroom food, Dr. Ingram said she did not receive one complaint about the lunchroom food being cold at New Brockton Elementary School this past school year. She added that the state requires the food to be maintained at a certain temperature.

McWaters said his wife (a teacher) and son (a student) both eat in the lunchroom at New Brockton Elementary School and neither has complained about the food being cold.

Board member Robin McKinnon requested that anyone with complaints meet with the school board to express his/her concerns.

Prior to adjourning board members discussed meeting again on Tuesday, June 17, at Noon for a called meeting.

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During special meeting

Coffee County BOE members approve various personnel recommendations

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met for a special meeting Tuesday, June 17, at noon with a continued focus on personnel.

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram presented board members with a list of her recommendations regarding personnel, and the board unanimously approved the list. Matters approved included:

- Approved maternity leave under the Family Medical Leave Act for Leigh Barr, a teacher at Zion Chapel.

- Employ Carmen Powell as an elementary/collaborative teacher at New Brockton Elementary School.

- Approve the voluntary transfer of Mary Mack from her position as second grade teacher at Kinston Elementary School to first grade teacher at Kinston Elementary School for the 2008-09 school year.

- Approve the voluntary transfer of Diane Calhoun from her position as first grade teacher at Kinston Elementary School to third grade teacher at Kinston Elementary School for the 2008-09 school year.

- Support Personnel.

- Employ Crystal Hawthorne as secretary/bookkeeper at Kinston School.

Board members also voted during Tuesday's noon meeting to approve a carpet bid for projects at Kinston Elementary and New Brockton Elementary schools. This bid was awarded to McCord Floorcovering of Dothan, Ala., at a total cost of \$137,800.

Before recommending McCord for approval, Dr. Ingram said the company actually was the second lowest bidder; however, the low bidder had withdrawn its bid due to a problem with licensing.

Board members discussed the purchase of new band uniforms for the Zion Chapel Rebel Band.

Dr. Ingram reminded board members that in the past the board has assisted the bands in purchasing new uniforms. At Zion Chapel, she said the band is to the point of making final payments for uniforms, and, therefore, she asked board members to approve a motion allowing the allocation of up to

\$5,000 to assist Zion Chapel with the purchase of new band uniforms.

Dr. Ingram said those involved in the band program have worked really hard raising over \$14,000 for the uniforms. The total cost is between just over \$18,000.

Board members unanimously approved this request from the superintendent.

In taking a look at Fiscal Year 2009, Dr. Ingram painted a bleak picture in regards to state funding. She said the school system is looking at a nearly 1/2 million-dollar decrease in state funding for the year.

According to the allocations report cited by Ingram during Tuesday's meeting, the school system will take a hit in the classroom instructional support funding from the state which

includes student materials, technology, library enhancement, professional development, common purchase and textbooks.

Another noteworthy decrease in state funding for FY 2009 is transportation where the school system will receive less money for fuel and fleet renewal. With the fuel prices at an all-time high, Dr. Ingram and board members expressed concern in regards to this decrease in funding.

On a more positive note, Dr. Ingram reported on a recent meeting with booster organizations from the schools. She said a change in law as of July 1st will adjust the way the booster clubs "do business" in reporting

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Following June 9th meeting

Two gone from New Brockton Town Council

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council lost two council members (one by resignation and the other through action taken by the council) Monday evening, June 9, during the monthly council meeting.

Council member Vicky Harrison, the District Two representative, extended her resignation as councilmember during the Monday evening meeting. She cited health reasons for submitting the resignation.

Harrison first joined the New Brockton Town Council after being appointed to fill the seat left vacant by her husband, Roger, after he was deployed for military service overseas. At the end of that term, Harrison was elected to continue serving as the District Two councilmember.

Harrison said her health has caused her to miss several recent meetings, and she now feels she can better serve her community as a business owner and volunteer. In submitting her resignation, she assured the council that she does plan to continue to be active as a volunteer.

Harrison also asked in her letter of resignation that her husband be reinstated to fill the seat and complete the current term, which ends later this year. Council members voted unanimously to accept Harrison's resignation from the council.

In regards to filling the now vacant seat, Mayor Charles Cole said it is vacant, and citizens living in District Two of New Brockton interested in serving as councilmember should apply to New Brockton Town Hall by submitting

their resume. He said the council will review the resumes and make an appointment at the next council meeting.

Cole said the council could not make the appointment without accepting applications due to a municipal code on record that has been discovered. He said the council actually did not follow proper procedure when Mrs. Harrison was first appointed to finish out her husband's term when he was deployed.

Council members each thanked Harrison for what she has done for the Town of New Brockton through the years to which she again assured them she does plan to continue to serve on committees as a volunteer. Harrison

said she just feels she can do a better job in that capacity.

The next action taken by the council during the June 9th meeting included making a decision regarding councilmember Richard Driskell, the District Four representative.

As of that meeting, Mayor Cole said councilmember Driskell had missed four consecutive meetings without an excuse. He further said the town's municipal code says if a councilmember misses three meetings in a row without an excuse he/she forfeits the seat.

Cole said he does not know Driskell's reason for not attending the meetings, and town officials have tried

unsuccessfully to contact him. He also said on some occasions that Driskell has been in town at the time of the council meeting but still did not attend.

Cole asked council members their desire regarding his seat, and councilmember Jeff White made a motion with a second from councilmember Cal Donnia Howard to declare a vacancy of the council seat for District Four. This motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Following the vote, Mayor Cole said the town will follow the same procedure for filling the District Four seat as it will the District Two seat. Resumes can be submitted to town hall.

Cole said this activity is funded by grant funds from the medical center in Dothan, and he had told Chief Grimes to set up the checkpoints whenever he wants. He said as long as the department is getting the grant monies, he feels the department should continue the road checks.

"It doesn't cost us (the town) a thing," Cole said. "And, think of the drugs and drunk drivers it gets off the streets."

Council members voted unanimously to support the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) in starting a Chapter in New Brockton.

Charles Lobell addressed the council on this matter and said he had previously addressed the town's planning commission. He said he looked into starting a chapter in New Brockton and



BEAT THE HEAT... This upcoming Saturday (June 21) marks the "official" start to summer, but recent scorching temperatures already have forced local residents to look for ways to cool off. One refreshing option is the Elba City Pool (open Tuesday-Saturday from 12:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1:30 p.m.). Another benefit to swimming at the city pool is the availability of "on duty" lifeguards. Shown above are three of the trained lifeguards (Megan Anderson, Hayden Goodson and Melanie Mularz) seen regularly at the pool working to ensure the safety of all swimmers.

New Brockton Town Council supports establishment of DAV Chapter

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Gary said there are federal and state dollars available for this type focus. While she said they want to keep the small, historic town feel to New Brockton, they also think it is important to look at the 21st Century.

"We want this to be a push or move for the next administration to consider in the next 3-5 years," said Gary.

Mayor Charles Cole said he would like to see Threats and Gary attend one of the council's work sessions to provide more detail regarding their ideas for council members to consider. Council member Jeff White also invited them to attend the planning commission meeting to expand on their ideas.

After receiving the monthly report from Police Chief Dale Grimes, Mayor Cole said he has had citizens confront him about roadblocks conducted by the police department. He said these citizens say the safety checkpoints should be stopped.

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Elba City Schools superintendent attends conference in South Carolina

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba City Schools Superintendent Danny Weeks represented his school and state last month during a conference held in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

"It was a privilege for me to attend and represent the State and Elba City Schools," Weeks

represented at the conference.

According to Weeks, he was chosen to attend based on the demographics of the area, the graduation exam results for Elba High School and overall performance of students. During the conference, he said superintendents shared ideas regarding such issues as No Child Left Behind, funding for new reading programs and leadership for the future. He also said there was a lot of discussion on technology.

Weeks said one thing he enjoyed about the conference was that the superintendents were divided into panels that allowed them to share ideas from other parts of the nation. He said he came away from the conference with many new ideas.

"It was an exciting trip, and I met many nice people," Weeks said. "It certainly made several beneficial contacts."

Weeks said he has never had such an opportunity as he did in this conference. He said he just feels fortunate to have been chosen and be able to attend.



Elba City Schools Superintendent Danny Weeks

Area Happenings

THE PRINCE CHAPEL ATHLETIC CLUB will meet Thursday, June 19 (TODAY), at 7 p.m. at the school. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend. For questions, call Jeff Amstrong at (334) 745-3300 or 268-5460.

THE SOUTHEAST ALABAMA BEEKEEPERS ASSOCIATION will hold its monthly meeting, Thursday, July 3, at 7 p.m. at the Coffee County Farm Center. Anyone interested in the hobby is welcome to attend. For more information call All Lippins at 334-566-7340 or Jerry Whitaker at 334-894-2077.



Ladies from Covenant Community Church were hard at work Monday, June 16, preparing personal hygiene items to carry to young women in Africa on an upcoming mission trip. In preparing for the mission trip, church members became aware of the overwhelming need for these hygiene products learning that young girls actually are dropping out of school in Africa due to the lack of having the products. Women from the church worked throughout the day on Monday in the Elba High School home economics department putting their sewing talents to good use. Above, church member Rhonda Brunson focuses all her attention on the task at hand. The ladies extended a special thanks to Elba City Schools and Christina Whitlock, family and consumer sciences teacher at Elba High School, for allowing them to use the onsite sewing machines for this project.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

I mentioned several weeks ago about reconnecting with an old army buddy. Slowly we are catching up with what has happened with each other during those 49 years we were apart. He related something last week that still puts chill bumps on my arm just to think about it. As was noted earlier, he is a retired airline pilot . . . retired from United. Now the rest of the story . . . Gene had actually flown the two United planes hijacked and crashed into the cointowers on 9.11. In fact he had flown those two planes on that very same route. The worst for him however is that the pilots of both those ill fated planes were personal friends . . . "and great guys" . . . according to Gene, and if he said it, we believe it. It is probably not necessary to explain to our readers his feelings for those who planned and carried out such horrible deeds.

Early Wednesday morning, the day after the recent primary election, we saw a sight which warms our heart. It was just a little after 6 a.m. and losing school board candidate Brian McLeod was out, all alone, taking up his political signs from along the highways. While we wish it was all that simple and perfect, it isn't. Look around and you can see that all our politicians don't have Brian's standards, pride in community, etc. If a governor (or political party) ever wanted to establish a mandatory course in being a candidate worthy of consideration for public office, we know where he can get a man qualified (with hands on experience) to teach the "pick up your own stuff" class.

Elba folks think we had hard times during, and following, our floods of 1990 and 1998. However this week seeing the flood pictures in the newspaper and on the tube, gosh we don't know nothing! A lot of dramatic pictures have flashed before our eyes and that one of the two story house falling into the river was shown over and over on TV. However the one which keeps flashing back in our mind was the newspaper photo of a dozen or more houses, out buildings and other "things", pushed up against that railroad bridge by the raging river. Pray for these folks . . . they need it.

Those of you not keeping up with Neil Grantham on the daily blog should be aware that his move to re-hab was postponed Monday. He has been in the hospital now for over 100 days and still fighting one thing or another. This is another family, our hometown folks, who continue to need and appreciate all the prayers for his recovery. There is no doubt that the many prayers have bolstered the faith of this family and kept their spirits up and kept this young man upbeat in spite of all the pain, the surgeries as well as the ups and downs as his discharge dates from the hospital continue to be postponed. Neil, hurry . . . I have already started counting the days until you and your dad announce you are ready to serve me another plate of grits and hot biscuits!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, June 9, 2008, investigated the following incidents: two for domestic violence, three for harassment, one for theft of property, one for driving under the influence, one for a private property accident, one for forgery, one for damage to a vehicle, one for criminal littering, one for disorderly conduct, one for a domestic dispute, one for possession of marijuana and one for burglary.

The following arrests were made: one for probation violation, one for driving under the influence, one for failure to appear, one for disorderly conduct, one for possession of marijuana.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: two for speeding, two for running a stop sign, one for violation of the noise ordinance, one for improper equipment, one for a revoked driver's license, one for reckless driving, one for eluding and two for not wearing a seat belt.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:
MONDAY, JUNE 9 - Routine activity.
TUESDAY, JUNE 10 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 13375 Hwy. 84 (2:17 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 409 Adkinson St. (7:39 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 834 E. Davis St. (7:36 p.m.); Burglary (beer) reported at Elba Shell

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Primary Eye Care of Elba

In 1950 Dr. E. M. Warr arrived in Elba and started what is now a 58-year service to the Elba community.

Dr. Warr decided to settle and practice in Elba after his service during World War II. He picked Elba to be equally close to his family in Clayton and Mrs. Warr's family in Webb.

Dr. Kenneth D. Strong, son-in-law of Dr. Warr, joined the practice in 1976 after graduating from the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry. In 1981 Dr. Mitchell V. Purvis, a native of the area, joined the practice. He is also a graduate of the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry.

Employees of the practice include Mrs. Vicki Stinson, Mrs. Kimberly Bane, Mrs. Joni White, Mrs. Vicki Johnson, and Miss Emma Kennedy.

Throughout the years, Primary Eye Care of Elba has evolved from primarily a place to be examined for glasses and contact lenses to currently providing excellent medical eye care to the community. The practice serves as an entry point into the health care system. Pre- and post-surgical care are very routine, as well as care for patients at Elba General Hospital and Nursing Home.

Primary Eye Care is not only the name of the practice but is also a description of the quality eye care delivered to its large patient base.

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The staff of Primary Eye Care of Elba includes: (front, left to right) Emma Kennedy, Joni White, Vicki Stinson and Kimberly Bane; (back, left to right) Dr. Kenneth D. Strong and Dr. Mitchell V. Purvis. Not pictured: Vicki Johnson.

Online vehicle tag renewal
available in Coffee County

Coffee County Probate Judge William O. Gammill has added the capability of renewing vehicle registrations online beginning July 1st. RenewYourTag.com is an online service that will allow those using the service to renew registration within minutes and has the capability of handling multiple renewals. All transactions are extremely secure and protected and can be readily accessed via the Internet.

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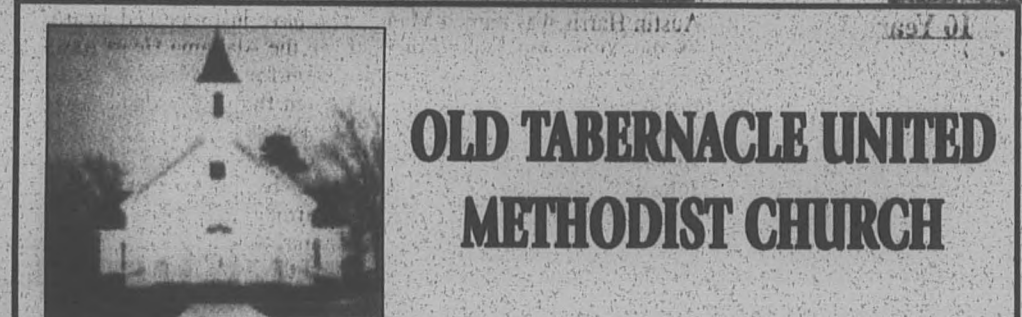
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Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba_clipper.com>

WILLIAM L. WALSH JR., 84, a resident of Cullman, Ala., died Thursday, June 12, 2008, in a Cullman hospital after a short illness.

Funeral services were held June 17, 2008 at White Chapel-Greenwood Funeral Home Chapel in Montgomery, Ala., with Reverend John W. Lambert officiating and burial was in Greenwood Cemetery.

Mr. Walsh was preceded in death by his parents, William L. and Helen Walsh Sr., and brother, Richard P. Walsh.

Survivors include his wife: Grace Moore Walsh, Cullman; a brother: Charles S. Walsh, Eufaula; four sisters-in-law, a brother-in-law and numerous nieces and nephews.

ALICE OPHELIA FRAZIER

Ms. Alice Ophelia Frazier, age 90, of Opp, Ala., died Wednesday, June 11, 2008, at her home in Opp.

Funeral services were held June 16, 2008 at Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ, Opp, with Elder George Martin officiating. Burial followed in Harden Street Cemetery with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba, Ala. directing.

Ms. Frazier was preceded in death by one daughter, Ruby Frazier; one sister, Molly Wilkinson Caldwell; two step-sisters, Dena Adams and Q.V. Jones; four brothers, John Frank, Jerry, Oscar and Fred Wilkinson; one son-in-law, W.H. Caldwell; and three brothers-in-law.

Survivors include two daughters: Louise (Willie Joe) Crutenden, Opp, Ala.; Eloise Caldwell, Elba; one god-daughter: Georgia Germany, Elba; three sisters: Annie Mae Coon, Opp, Josephine (Junior) Potter, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; Gussie Calvert, Denver, Colo.; one brother: Foster (Marion) Wilkinson, Stanford, Conn.; 10

grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and 24 great-great-grandchildren.

BEATRICE EVANS

Ms. Beatrice Evans, age 91, died Thursday, June 5, 2008, at her residence.

Funeral services were held June 10, 2008 at St. Beulah Missionary Baptist Church, Enterprise, Ala., with Rev. Kummel Fleming officiating. Burial followed in Beulah Cemetery, Enterprise, with Coleman Funeral Home of Enterprise directing.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Eley Hill and Roxie Hill; four brothers, Rev. Sylvester Hill, Elmer Hill, Willie Hill and Buddy Hill; sisters, Evelyn Hill, Catherine Hill, Valonia Hill, and Minnie Lee Evans; and one son, Carter Lee Evans Sr.

Survivors include three children: Huey Lee Evans (Jean), Lakeland, Fla.; Roy Lee Evans, New York and Margaret Ann Terry (Robert), Enterprise; a special grandson, Carter Lee Evans Jr. (Sherré), Enterprise; one sister: Mildred Lendsey, Colorado Springs, Colo.; and eight grandchildren: Beatrice Evans, Raymond C. Terry (Cynthia), Gerry Sanders, Diane Sanders, Angela M. Neville (Darryl), James C. Terry, Kinkora Hill, Ashley Bradshaw, special grandchild, Sandy Blackmon (Alan); special sister-in-law, Eloise Henderson; special children, Ty Townsend, Lydia Townsend, Ashley Thomas and Jillian Adams; 14 great-grandchildren; and eight great great-grandchildren.

JOE ANNE STOUDEMIRE

Ms. Joe Anne Stoudemire died recently.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 14, 2008, at Bethel A.M.E. Church, Elba, Ala., with Rev. Elsie Phillips-

Copes officiating. Burial followed with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba directing.

Survivors include her mother: Glennie Stoudemire, Montgomery, Ala.; father: Ernest Daniels, Orlando, Fla.; step-father: Eddie B. Stoudemire, Elba; companion, Randy Burnett; two children: Rodney Stoudemire, Enterprise, Ala.; Dollie McCall, Montgomery; and a great-grandson: Zion Davis, Enterprise.

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MARY PRUITT

Mother Mary Pruitt died recently.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 14, 2008, at Memorial Church of God in Christ, New Brockton, Ala., with Elder Kenneth Robinson officiating. Burial followed in Harshel Cemetery, New Brockton, with Coleman Funeral Home of Elba, Ala. directing.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Barney; and one son, Willie James Pruitt Sr.

Survivors include a niece: Cassandra (husband Michael); granddaughters: Diane Coleman, Elba; two grandsons: Willie J. Pruitt Jr., Atlanta, Ga.; James Edward, Tallahassee, Fla.; one brother: Oscar Williams (wife Queen), Ustica, N.Y.; other grandchildren, great-grandchildren and family members.

I.B. JONES

Rev. I.B. Jones died recently.

Funeral services were held Friday, June 13, 2008, at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Enterprise, Ala., with Rev. Paul Grider officiating. Burial followed in Asbury Cemetery, Skipperville, Ala.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Rev. Robert (Fia) Brooks and Jimmie Russell; four uncles, Talmadge Brooks, Clarence Newby, Joe Lampkin, and Lamar Lampkin; one aunt, Robbie Dubose; four sisters, Theresa Brooks Love, Paula (Ken) Wilson, Niva (Jay) Roberson and Valerie Jones; two brothers, Tony Russell and Redmen Brooks Jr.; seven nephews and three nieces; one god sister, Erica Stanford; and other family members.

SHUFFLING THROUGH OUR FILES...

(News Taken From Past Editions of The Elba Clipper)

10 Years Ago

• **Leslie Stinson selected for Leadership Program** - Leslie Stinson, sophomore at Elba High School, has been selected to attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership - Alabama South Seminar. She was chosen based upon her demonstrated leadership potential and potential for continued leadership growth.

• **Westbrook recognized as top manager by his peers** - A native of Elba was recently recognized by his peers as a top manager. Todd Westbrook, formerly of Elba, has been selected by the Elba Tech Valley Council, member of the National Management Association (NMA), to receive the 1998 Manager of the Year Award for the Huntsville, AL area. Westbrook was presented the award on June 4, during the observance of Management Week, June 1-7, in America. Todd received his BS degree in industrial engineering from Auburn University in 1984.

• **Three have qualified for City office** - Elba's city politics got off to a rather slow start Tuesday with only two incumbent councilmen qualifying for re-election and one candidate for Mayor. First to qualify Tuesday morning was Jack Brunson, making his first attempt in the mayor's race. He was followed by Councilman Bob Folsom qualifying for re-election in Ward 3. Tuesday afternoon Councilman Ray Trammell qualified for re-election in Ward 4. No other candidates had qualified at press time.

• **Dianne Folsom named beauty at Troy State** - Miss Dianne Folsom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Folsom of New Brockton, has been named June Beauty of the Month at Troy State University. She is a freshman majoring in physical education. Dianne is the sister of former Miss Alabama, Miss Linda Folsom.

• **Elba drugget gets award in '58 Hear Fund** - Jim Whitman of Elba was one a special group of Alabama civic leaders

Austin Harris was named Man of the Year, and Mrs. Ethel Johnson was named Woman of the Year. Mr. Harris is a retired postmaster and former New Brockton bank employee. Mrs. Johnson is a retired school teacher. The event was sponsored by the Three Seasons Garden Club.

• **Bid Awarded For Lunchroom Construction** - Bids were opened Tuesday on construction and remodeling of a new lunchroom at the Elba High School. Low bidder on the project was Henderson Black and Green of Troy, with a bid of \$219,777.

Superintendent Elmer Taylor noted that a new kitchen will be constructed outside the present building and the dining room remodeled and expanded to include the old kitchen area. Air conditioning will be installed and a small built-up platform will be built in the dining room to benefit banquets held at the high school.

• **40 Years Ago**

• **Three have qualified for City office** - Elba's city politics got off to a rather slow start Tuesday with only two incumbent councilmen qualifying for re-election and one candidate for Mayor. First to qualify Tuesday morning was Jack Brunson, making his first attempt in the mayor's race. He was followed by Councilman Bob Folsom qualifying for re-election in Ward 3. Tuesday afternoon Councilman Ray Trammell qualified for re-election in Ward 4. No other candidates had qualified at press time.

• **Dianne Folsom named beauty at Troy State** - Miss Dianne Folsom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Folsom of New Brockton, has been named June Beauty of the Month at Troy State University. She is a freshman majoring in physical education. Dianne is the sister of former Miss Alabama, Miss Linda Folsom.

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who have just received awards from the Alabama Heart Association for "Outstanding Service" in the fight against heart disease during the 1958 Heart Fund Drive. The awards were made by State Heart Fund Chairman General Walter J. Hanna, of Birmingham, who cited the heart leaders for their "loyal devotion to a great health crusade."

• **Soldier from Jack completes course** - Pvt. William R. McDermott, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McDermott of Route 1, Jack, Ala., recently completed the eight week lineman course at the Army's Southeastern Signal School, Ft. Gordon, Ga. He was trained to construct and maintain field communication wires and cables. McDermott entered the Army in January 1958 and completed basic training at Ft. Chaffee, Arkansas.

• **SHARE YOUR VIEWS - WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

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LOUISE GIVENS WILLIAMS

Mrs. Louise Givens Williams, age 80, of Troy, Ala., died Saturday, June 14, 2008, in Montgomery, Ala.

Funeral services were held June 16, 2008 from the Bush Memorial Baptist Church with Reverend Otis Derrah officiating. Burial followed in the Evergreen Cemetery, Elba, Ala., with Dillard Funeral Home in Troy directing.

Survivors include her daughter: Alyene Williams (husband Wayne) Locklar, Troy; son: Joel Lee (wife Teri)

Williams, Troy; six grandchildren

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LIFESTYLES & CHURCH

Hudson-Searcy wedding planned for Saturday, June 21st



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Troy Band Program is hosting High School Summer Band Camp

Nearly 500 high school students will call Troy University home June 15-19, as the TROY band program holds its annual Summer Music/Leadership Camps and Directors' Symposium.

The camp is composed of students representing 50 schools across the southeast. Campers have the opportunity to live on campus and practice their craft through this week-long event. Areas of study are auxiliaries, drum major, percussion ensemble, concert band and directors' symposium. Directors attending the Directors' Symposium can earn one graduate credit hour.

The camp is organized by TROY Director of Bands Ralph Ford, and Dr. Mark Walker is assistant director and camp coordinator.

"I feel this is a great opportunity to bring students to the TROY campus and help with their music and creative skills," said Walker.

Every year the camp awards full scholarships to a number of students who submit a scholarship form and have a letter of recommendation from their high school band directors. The 2008 scholarship receipts include:

Christopher Bagwell-Jack
The camp's final program will be at 1:30 p.m. June 19 in Trojan Arena. This program is open and free to the public. For more information regarding the summer camp and TROY bands can be found on the Sound of the South's website at www.soundofthesouth.org

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John Blount celebrates 4th birthday

John Blount, son of Stephen and Tiffany Harper Blount turned four years old on June 4, 2008. He celebrated his fourth birthday with a baseball theme party at Team Lee Athletic Gym in Tuscaloosa. Two athletic instructors were in charge of all gym activities: kickball, dodgeball, soccer, etc. During the breaks from the games there were thousands of bubbles, smoke and music in the gym. A grand finale with singing of "Happy Birthday John" by his classmates from Tuscaloosa Academy, other friends and family ended with a loud bang and confetti falling from the ceiling. John was given a baseball t-shirt with his name printed on it.

After the gym activities, all guests were invited to the party room that had been decorated with a baseball theme. The cake was in the shape of a baseball with "Happy Birthday John" written on it. The party was a great success and everyone had a wonderful time.

The wedding is planned for June 21, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. The sunset wedding will be on the beach of Panama City Beach, Florida.

JOSEPH C. STUCKEY

Air Force Airman Joseph C. Stuckey has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremonial marches; and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airman crew credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Joseph and Rhoda Stuckey of Medley Road, New Brockton, Ala., and a 2004 graduate of New Brockton High School.

Sunday worship service will begin at 11 a.m. A tribute to the Jolly's will precede the morning worship service. Homecoming fellowship and dinner will follow the morning service. Special afternoon singing will feature Scott Fowler and The Soldiers of the Cross.

Everyone is invited to attend.

First Baptist Church, Enterprise to hold Ladies Power Lunch on June 24th

A Ladies Power Lunch will be at First Baptist Enterprise in the fellowship hall on Tuesday, June 24, from 12:00 noon until 1:00 p.m. There is a charge for lunch.

Debbie Grimes will speak on "His Grace is Sufficient" as she shares how she's found a new normal after her very foundation was rocked 18 months ago with the unexpected death of her 22 year old daughter, Catherine. All ladies in the community are invited to come and bring a friend.

For mail reservation required by calling Kathi at the church office 334-393-5683 by June 20.

VBS will be held at Westside Baptist Church June 23rd-27th

Westside Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School June 23rd-27th from 9 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

12 noon. Ages are 4 years to 6th grade.

For more information call Malinda Hutcherson at 334-389-5381. Everyone is invited to attend.

NRCS is accepting WHIP applications

USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) State Conservationist Gary Kobylski announced a sign-up for the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP). The sign-up is open in all Alabama counties with this batching period to end on June 20, 2008. This program provides both technical assistance and financial assistance based on a practice payment schedule to individuals interested in establishing and improving fish and



Emma June & Bennie Frank Hardy

Hardy's celebrate 55th wedding anniversary on May 25th

Bennie Frank and Emma June Hardy formerly from Elba, Alabama celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on 5/25/2008 with an Emerald Anniversary Barbecue party at the home of Billy and Beth Hardy in Columbia, Missouri. The occasion was celebrated with family, son Billy and his wife Beth and their children Nathan and Kiersten, daughter Dora Moser and her husband David Moser, and their children Jessica, and Kathy, son Paul Hardy. After the barbecue there were congratulations and cutting of the anniversary cake depicting a long winding yellow brick road through a field of poppies leading to an Emerald City.

The Hardy's were married on 5/23/1953 at the Court House in Meridian MS.

Their 5 children are: Billy Hardy of Columbia, MO. Goshel singing to be held at Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church

There will be a gospel singing at Chestnut Grove United Methodist Church on Saturday, June 21, 2008, beginning at 7 p.m. The featured singing group will be Steve Wilson and the Wilsons, from Balwin, MO.

For more information contact Gus Grant- (334) 897-6793 or 465-5555, or call Bill Daughtry- (334) 735-2010.

Harper Blount turns nine years old

Harper Blount, daughter of Stephen and Tiffany Harper Blount of Tuscaloosa, Ala., turned 9 years old on May 18, 2008. Harper celebrated her 9th birthday with a soccer party at Team Lee Athletic Gym in Tuscaloosa. Two athletic instructors were in charge of all gym activities - soccer, dodgeball, kickball, etc. Thousands of bubbles, smoke and music filled the gym during breaks from the games, which added to the festivities.

A grand finale with singing of "Happy Birthday" by her classmates from Tuscaloosa Academy, other friends and family ended with a loud bang and confetti falling from the ceiling. Harper was given a soccer t-shirt with her name printed on it.

After the gym activities, all guest were invited to the party room that had been decorated with a soccer theme. Cake decorations included a soccer field, goals, female soccer players, soccer candles and "Happy Birthday Harper." The soccer theme was utilized for the invitations, table cloths, placemats, plates, napkins and cups. Refreshments included cake, snacks, water, various juices and soft drinks. Bags filled with favors were given to guests.

The birthday celebration continued at home where Harper's family and two special friends enjoyed Harper's opening of her gifts. Her and her friends had fun with a "spend-the-night" party.

A continuation of the birthday celebration took place the next day. Harper, two special friends, and John (Harper's brother) had a fantastic time playing the many games at Chuck E. Cheese's.

Then, a few days later, a beach scene decorated cake was enjoyed by family members at the Harper Cottage, Santa Monica Beach, Panama City, Fla. Special guest was Uncle Jay of Washington, D.C.

Harper is the granddaughter of Gloria and John Harper of Elba, Alabama.

New Glorious Annual Youth Program set for Saturday, June 21st

New Glorious Annual Youth Program will be held at 314 C. Rd. 263, Elba, Shiloh Community on Saturday, June 21, 2008 at 7 p.m. There will be singers, praises, dancers, drill teams and more.

For more information call Malinda Hutcherson at 334-389-5381. Everyone is invited to attend.

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Rules for Bible Study...

A great need of today is an interest in Bible study. Many have a great interest in investigations, real or make believe... Law & Order x 3, CSI: x 4, movie after movie. We need to revive a spirit of Bible Investigation.

As people face problems, all kinds of solutions are offered and many of the solutions deal with the symptoms rather than the disease. A diligent study, investigation, of the scriptures is the real cure. The longer we fail to recognize this, the more our problems are going to increase. It is frightening to think of the number of religious people that do not know how to study the Bible. Knowing some rules for Bible study will encourage and enable us to become Bible Investigators. If you will learn these principles and apply them, you will not have to depend on someone else doing your Bible Study.

Rule 1: Do Not Get Discouraged
I offer this rule first because if one gets discouraged and stops the investigation, none of the other rules will be of any value. Even in life many big investigations are solved only after years of research. Sometimes it can be overwhelming. If one walked into a library and looked at all the books, it would be easy to say, "I can never learn what is in these books. The fact that there is so much information in all the books is no excuse for not selecting a book and beginning to increase your knowledge. Do not expect to learn everything in a few minutes, and do not let that keep you from starting and continuing. One will never learn all there is to know; but one can learn enough to have salvation."

(2 Timothy 2:15)

Rule 2: Measure Yourself
A second principle to remember is that your interest in Bible study is an indicator of your interest in God and your soul. The Bible is our only guide book, the only source of the knowledge of God.

"But as it is written: 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.' But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God; that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches, but in words which the Spirit of God teaches, that the natural man cannot receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

(1 Corinthians 2:9-14)

Measuring by your interest in the Bible, how interested are you in God and your soul? Do you study... none, little, or a lot? (Psalm 1:2)

Rule 3: My Attitude Toward The Bible Is My Attitude Toward God
"He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him - the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day." (John 12:48)

What the Bible says to one depends on that one's attitude toward it. God speaks to those who want to hear. Remember Saul, the first king of Israel? Of this king the Bible said, "and when Saul inquired of the Lord, the Lord answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, or by prophets" (1 Samuel 28:6). Why was it that the Lord had nothing to say to Saul? Had God known? Where was the problem? Those familiar with the life of Saul said that his life became one of a man who despised the Word of God and that this was an index to his character. God gave Saul specific commands to follow, but what was his attitude?

Even Saul did not say he did not understand what was to be done. The Lord said, "I greatly regret that I have set up Saul as king, for he has turned back from following Me, and has not performed My commandments." And it grieved Samuel, and he cried out to the Lord all night "I Samuel (15:11). What had happened is Saul's attitude toward God had changed (1 Samuel 15:22). Let no one be mistaken, one's attitude toward the Word of God shows one's attitude toward God Himself. Saul rejected God's commandments, and God rejected him.

"Mark 12:2-3. Jesus said to Christ and asked Him, 'which is the greatest commandment?' Christ answered by quoting Deuteronomy and Leviticus 19:18. Now watch what happens. 'So the scribe said to Him, 'Well, said, Teacher. You have spoken the truth, for there is one God, and there is not other but He.' 'And to love Him with all the heart, with all the understanding, with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself, is more than all the whole burnt offerings and sacrifices' (Mark 12:32-33). Write the command of Christ deep in your heart.

"And when Jesus saw that He answered discreetly, He said unto him, thou art not far from the kingdom... (Mark 12:34). The scribe's attitude showed respect for the word that Christ quoted and his respect for the word that Christ quoted and his respect for Christ. What does your attitude show? Bible study investigation is a part of faithful obedience to God. Each of us should follow the rules of Bible investigation, and follow the path God has directed us to follow.

Calen Santos to be in concert at Goodman Baptist Church

Calen Santos from Dothan will be in concert at 6:00 p.m. Sunday evening, June 29, 2008 at Goodman Baptist Church, 6561 County Road 625, Enterprise, AL.

Calen is an eleven year old young man who presents the message of Jesus through song. For more information call pastor Bruce Williams at 347-7714

Gospel concert to be held at S.E. District Singing Convention Building Cause. Funds raised from the program will support the ministries of the Southeast District Singing Convention. Everyone is invited.

For more information contact Catherine Burk at 493-7346.

VBS planned at Newbia Baptist Church for June 23-27

Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Newbia Baptist Church, located on Coffee County Road 330, will be held during the week of June 23-27 from 6-8:30 nightly.

The theme for this year's VBS is "Outrigger Island." There will be classes for all ages including adults. A light meal will be provided each evening.

Family night will be Sunday evening, June 29. Everyone is invited to attend.

Women's Conference to be held at First United Methodist in New Brockton

City on a Hill Radio Show is sponsoring an Estes Unit Women's Conference to be held in the New Brockton First United Methodist Church, corner of Dawkins and King Streets, in New Brockton, on Saturday, June 28, 2008, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

In addition to other speakers, Susan Siewek, a Christian 12-year veteran in the field of psychology from Alabaster, will be the keynote speaker. Topics to be covered are: Overcoming Depression, Seeking Divine Health, Being a Witness For Christ, and Like Queen Esther Be Held and Brave for Such a Time as This.

Brunch will be served. Admission will be free, donations will be accepted. Those planning on attending should RSVP to Annette Griswold at 897-3820 in order for the church ladies to know how many to prepare for.

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Troy University tuition to increase

Troy University will change the way it charges tuition by implementing a per-credit-hour tuition schedule beginning fall semester 2008, according to Dr. Richard Federenko, Senior Vice Chancellor for Student Services and Administration.

Dr. Federenko said the revenue expected to be generated by the new tuition schedule will only resolve a portion of the deep cuts of over \$7 million in state appropriations for Troy University for the 2008-2009 academic year.

"Our University leadership believes that the best and fairest approach to address the funding shortfall is to charge tuition at a reasonable level for each credit hour rather than implementing a steep across-the-board tuition percentage increase," Dr. Federenko stated.

For traditional "in-class" courses, the University will charge \$177 per credit hour for undergraduate tuition and \$200 per credit hour for graduate tuition. Courses delivered "on-line" will be charged per credit hour as well, but at different prices depending upon the type of program. New on-line undergraduate tuition will be \$200 per credit hour and on-line graduate tuition will range from \$350 to \$600 per credit hour.

Dr. Federenko pointed out that full-time undergraduate students who register for 12 "in-class" credit hours will incur a slight tuition increase. Part-time undergraduate students taking fewer than 12 "in-class" credit hours, about 54 percent of TROY's current student enrollment, will pay no tuition increase under the new system.

The University will also implement a \$6 per credit hour service fee and increase the parking fee to \$35 per year.

Small business counseling planned in Enterprise for July 17th

A representative from the Small Business Development Center at Troy University will visit the Enterprise Area Chamber of Commerce Thursday, July 17, to provide free counseling.

The counseling is available from 9:30 a.m. until noon. Call 347-0581 to set up an appointment.

Troy University's SBDC provides the counseling services monthly at the chamber's resource center, which is maintained by the Small Business Administration. In addition, a small library of various government publications is maintained at the center.

Publications will not be available for distribution, however, forms for ordering the publications will be provided.

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BY RICKY MULARZ, SPORTS EDITOR

I know people's habits change as they age, but apparently habits also change when girls go off to college. The girls are back for the summer and we have had to change the way we eat and even some of the things we drink. First off, they no longer eat any kind of bread except for wheat bread, no longer use mayonnaise on sandwiches, don't eat chips and don't eat hamburgers, just the meat. They also drink nothing but water, and I don't mean water out of the faucet or refrigerator, I mean bottled water from the grocery store. Both girls did come home in good shape and healthy. So, maybe the changes were for the best, even if Dad still insists he will never buy bottled water for himself and still likes to eat his hamburgers inside a bun.

FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

*** The All-Star teams have been chosen and as always there were a few unhappy coaches and parents. The biggest argument was in one of the softball leagues where a coach failed to show up for the voting and the other coaches filled the squad with players from the other three teams. That was unfortunate, however, the coach of the team was contacted and stated she would attend the voting, and even told an assistant coach of the team she was on the way and would represent the team. Obviously that coach won't have to worry about voting for all-stars next season. Anyway, the teams are now set and I hope all parents and baseball fans come out and support the teams as they compete in tournament action. In baseball the tournaments are in Elba, Kinston, Troy and Dothan, while the girls will travel to Straughn, Elba, and two sites yet to be determined. None of the trips are very far and I hope the fans will make the ride and cheer for the players as they compete against all-star teams from surrounding cities.

*** The coaching carousel has slowed down in recent days and it looks like there will be a lot of new faces along the sidelines in most sports here in the area. At New Brockton the Gamecocks will have new head coaches in football, girls basketball and volleyball, while up at Zion Chapel the Rebels will have a new head coach in softball and baseball. Kinston is expected to have a new head coach in girl's basketball, while here in Elba look for new head coaches in boy's basketball, baseball, softball and possibly girl's basketball. The Elba vacancies should be filled this week and maybe then the carousel will come to a stop and everyone will get the chance to settle in at their new positions.

*** The success of the Brantley High School baseball team resulted in the Bulldogs not having time to hold spring football practice. The Bulldogs did go out a few days in shorts and the players not involved in baseball had a very solid conditioning program, but the plan for Brantley, Sweet Water and Maplesville to meet in a spring jamboree for three straight years died a quick death. It will be interesting to see just how the lack of a true spring training affects Brantley in football early in the season this fall, especially with Lurven coming to town on opening week.

*** In closing.... I had the chance to sit down and talk with Samson basketball coach Pate Harrison one rainy afternoon last week and really enjoyed sharing stories about former Elba coach Mack Wood and former New Brockton coach Leary Boutwell. I walked the sidelines and sat in the coach's office with Coach Wood for many years, during his tenure in Elba, while Pate played for Coach Boutwell at New Brockton, and at times it seemed like we were trying to one up each other with our stories. Both men were great high school coaches and brought success and glory to the schools at which they coached, and will always be sources of stories for their friends and players.

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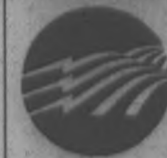
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In baseball and softball

All-Star teams selected in Elba leagues

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation has announced its 2008 All-Star teams for Dixie Baseball and Dixie Softball. The teams were selected by the coaches in the leagues and will compete at sub-district and district competition in coming weeks across South Alabama.

Following is a complete list of this summer's All-Star teams:

Dixie Minor Baseball

Tourney Site: Elba
Dates: July 5-12
Grant Akridge
Cavosna Stinson
Talon Flowers
Tanner Hudson
Dalton Sewell
Clark Logan
Kenneth Neil Amison
Avery Hanchey
J. Cole Spicer
Shawn Camley
B.J. Free
Landon Camley
Manager: Wayne Akridge
Coach: Terry Spicer
Coach: Brian Free

Dixie Youth Baseball

Tourney Site: Kinston
Dates: June 26-July 1
Chance Goosby
Cobe Goosby
Ty Stewart
Garret Smith
Denzell Thomas
Justin Pope
Damon Nelson
JonAshley Amison
Griffin Martin
Logan Bailey
Hayden Disotell
Kyson Edwards
Manager: Greg Bailey
Coach: Glen Johnson
Coach: Robert Edwards

Dixie Boys Baseball (13)

Tourney Site: Dothan
Dates: July 7-12
Andrew Lowery
Jud Owens
Zane Johnson
Chase Sauls
Hayes Spicer
Nathan Credille

Dylan Clark
Josh McDaniel
Braxton Barnes
Jared Wiley
Austin Morgan
Austin Johnson
Manager: Stevie Sauls
Coach: Thomas Clark
Coach: John Johnson

Dixie Boys Baseball (14)

Tourney Site: Troy
Dates: June 26-July 1
Dylan Seay
Gunnar McCollough
Brandon Farnon
Brakin Hutto
Clim Kilcrease
Reed Kilcrease
Zachary Wiley
Taylor Tew
Tyler Bowers
Tripp Jenkins
Matthew Holmes
Cassius Tillis
Adam Hill
Manager: Chad Kilcrease
Coach: Jeff Winters
Coach: Terry Kilcrease

Dixie Darlings Softball

Tourney Site: TBA
Dates: June 26 - July 1
Millicent Nolin
Willow Johnson
Rachel Smith
Laken Cooks
Haleigh Dewberry
Lexy Rugg
Jasmine Smith
Marlee Ellis
Gabby Hernandez
Christen Morris
Sarah Bryson Prescott
Hailey Grant
Manager: Shae Dewberry
Coach: Darren Grant
Coach: Richie Rugg
Coach: Kenneth Nolin

Dixie Angels Softball

Tourney Site: Straughn
Dates: June 26-July 1
Caitlyn Bradshaw
Audreanna Lindsey
Jessilyn McKenzie
Hailey Dykes
Hailey Finger
Arielle Lowry
Brooke Parrish
Emily Sanders

Elba Recreation Department to offer beginner swimming lessons July 7-11

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation has announced it will hold beginner swimming lessons from Monday, July 7, through Friday July 11, at the Elba City Pool, located at Hawkins-Williams Park.

The lessons will be held daily from 10:00 AM until 12:00 (noon) and will be taught by the lifeguards at the City Pool. All lifeguards are Red Cross certified in lifeguarding, CPR and first aid, and provide indi-

vidual aid with all swimmers.

The cost of the lessons is \$20 per person and should be paid in advance at the Elba Recreation Center, at 764 North Claxton Avenue.

For more information call the Recreation Center at 897-6833 or the City Pool at 897-0555.

The Elba City Pool is open Tuesday through Saturday from 12:00 until 5:30 and on Sundays from 1:00 until 5:30. Admission is \$3 for swimmers age 12 and above and \$2 for others.

EOCC trio receive post-season honors from ACCC

Three Enterprise-Ozark Community College softball players recently earned honors for their performance during the 2008 season that saw the Weevil Women play in the state tournament.

Jessica Williams, of Ashford, was named to the All-Conference Southern Division First Team and was also elected to the Second All-Region team.

All-Region team players are chosen from the 18 teams that make up Region XXII.

Kaligh Sanders, from Kinston, was elected to the All-Southern Conference team; all-conference teams are selected from the seven teams the Weevils battle every season for a post-season berth.

Jordan Herrin, from Dothan, was elected to All-Southern Conference second team.

"These girls were picked for these honors by all the coaches," said veteran EOCC coach King Jones. "It is a real honor to be chosen from among so many of their peers that make up all these teams."

Williams, Sanders and Herrin recently ended their freshman season at EOCC.

Courtney Watts
Billie Copeland
Katie Qualls
Kelsey Shackelford
Manager: Tommy Gibson
Coach: Heather Reeves
Coach: Hope Lowry

Dixie Ponytails Softball

Tourney Site: Elba
Dates: June 26 - July 1
Shelby Sorrells
Faith Dewberry
Alex Ketcham
Abby Purvis
Jessica Rhodes
Kari Hurd
Heidi McLeod
A.J. Whitfield
Whitney Rugg
Aerial Scott
Emilee Hudson

Morgan Matthews
Manager: Kevin Matthews
Coach: Jr. Sorrells
Coach: Tim Hudson

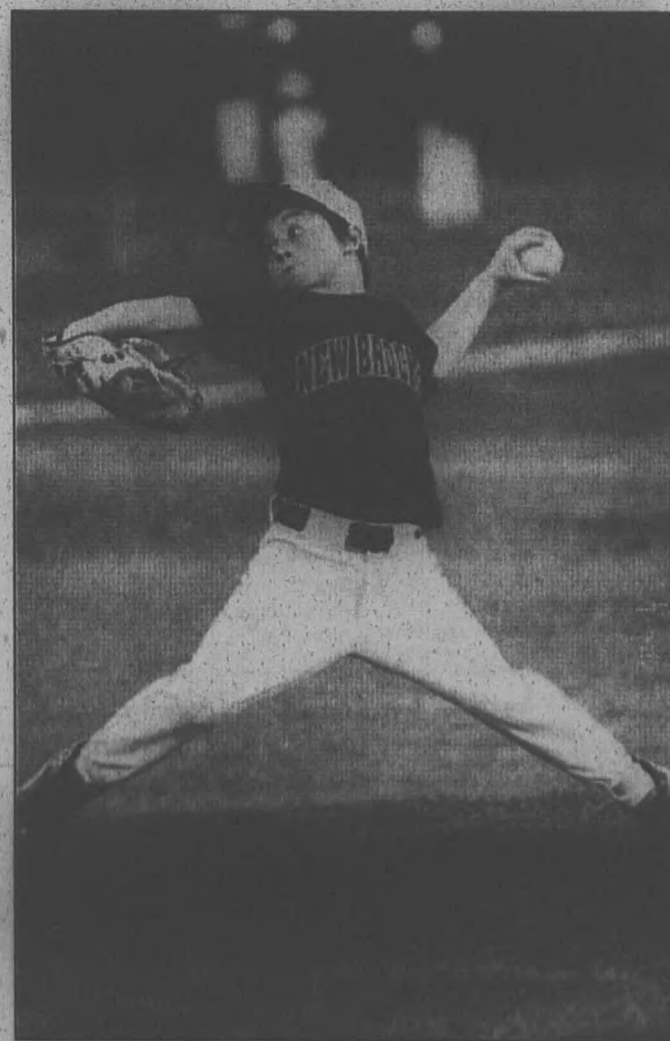
Dixie Belles Softball

Tourney Site: TBA
Dates: June 26 - July 1
Heather Blitz
Megan Cox
Charlie Little
Melanie Miller
Kayla Bagwell
Jessie Brunson
Hannah Goodson
Nikki Nelson
Jasmine Owens
Kennedy Sanders
Michelle Downing
Manager: Pat Sanders
Coach: Michael Goodson
Coach: Megan Legg



HOME-RUN HUG... A coach for a Zion Chapel coach-pitch baseball team pulls a player off the ground as he gives him a hug after he ripped a grand-slam home-run in the final inning to pull their team into a 9-9 tie. The player didn't seem to mind the hug, since the coach was also his Mom.

(Mike Capps photo)



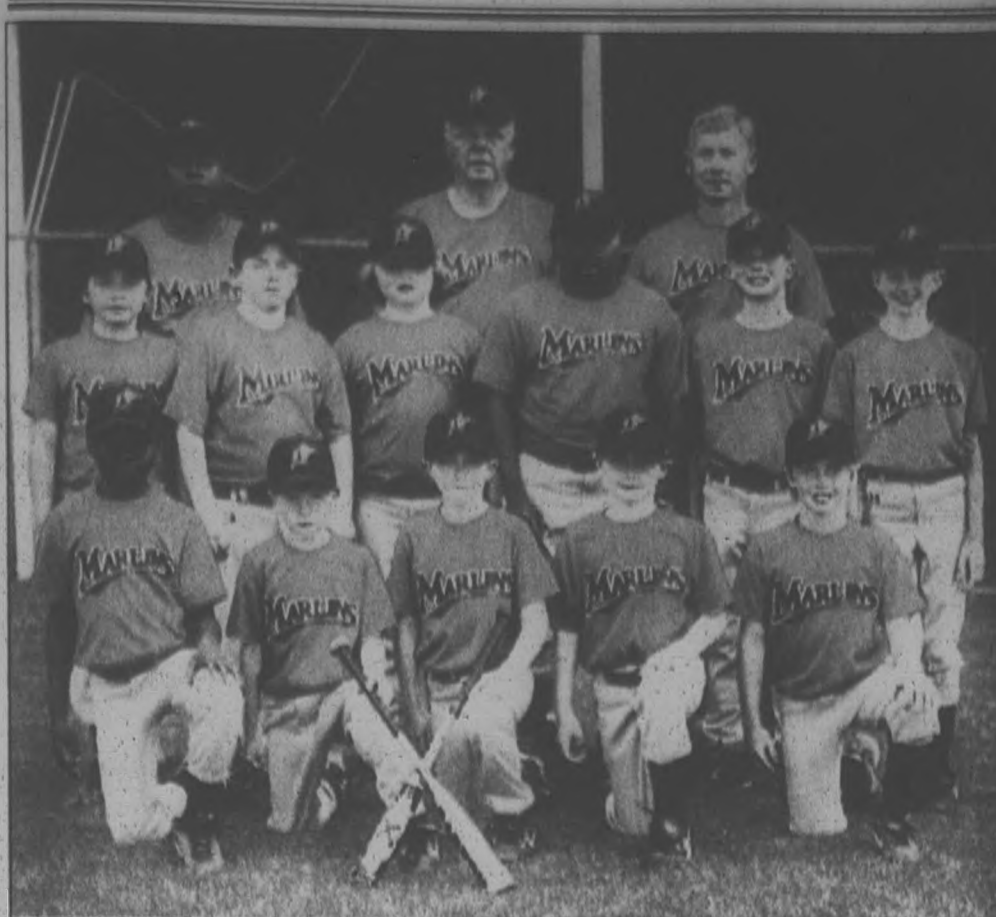
HERE IT COMES... A lefty for New Brockton prepares to deliver a pitch in recent baseball action at Elba's Legion Field.

(Mike Capps photo)

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MARLINS - ELBA DIXIE MINOR BASEBALL CHAMPIONS



YANKEES - ELBA DIXIE MINOR BASEBALL RUNNER-UP

Feature Races held in nine classes at Fan Appreciation Night at SAS

By Mark Chisum

South Alabama Speedway held its annual Fan Appreciation Night Saturday night, and the response was outstanding! The fans turned out in large numbers, and the drivers responded with exciting action in all classes.

Scotty Anderson won his fourth straight Super Stock Feature. Although fighting some handling issues, Anderson came from the seventh starting spot to take his latest win. Ronnie Peacock, making his first start of 2008, led the field to the green flag and led the first eight laps. Anderson was slipping, literally, through the field. On lap nine, Anderson got past both Will Mack and Peacock to take the lead.

Kevin Peel drew for the pole position for the Modified Feature and the race for second was on. Although Jason Windham was able to keep Peel close, he wasn't able to mount a serious challenge to Peel's position. Kip Whitehead came from the sixth starting spot to claim the Vintage Feature win. John Weaver, starting on the pole, led the first nine laps. On the tenth circuit, Whitehead got past both second place Jamie Ater and Weaver to take the lead. Whitehead was able to establish a comfortable lead over the remaining laps.

In the Street Stock Feature two weeks ago, Jody Henderson was well on his way to a win when mechanical problems ended his night. Henderson came back this week to finish the job with no problem. Cameron Henderson, no relation, grabbed the early lead from the pole and led the first four laps. On lap five, Jody Henderson grabbed the lead and never looked back. Jeff Rudd worked his way from the eighth starting spot to claim second, but couldn't touch Henderson.

The Roadrunner was the most uneventful race of the night, thanks to Jason Singletary. Singletary took the lead from Tim Peters on the third lap and cruised home with the win. Billy Maxie moved from the ninth starting spot to take runner-up honors, but Singletary long gone by that time. With the race going green flag to flag, Singletary stretched his lead to half a lap when the checkered flag fell. Max Nelson came from the ninth starting spot to claim the victory in the Coyote Feature. Chase Boutwell led the first five laps before Nelson took control. Javis Nelson came from 11th to take second.

The CupLite Feature took a totally different outlook with three laps to go. Jack Whittle led the first three laps before Will Mack took the lead. Waylon Spivey closed on Mack and the two battled for the top spot. On lap 22, contact coming out of turn two sent Mack into the back stretch wall, ending his night. Spivey was sent to the rear of the field, giving the lead

back to Whittle. Whittle took advantage of the situation, leading the final three laps to take the win.

Paul Barnes took his third straight Mini Sportsman Feature win. Barnes came from the ninth starting spot to take his latest win. Jeremy Peacock led the first four laps before Josh Cherry took the lead. Barnes got past Cherry three laps later to take over. Barnes led the remaining laps to take the win. In an added attraction, Legend cars from Sunny South Raceway in Grand Bay, Alabama had a 25-lap Feature. Ryan Paul and Brian McArdle put on an outstanding show for the South Alabama fans. Paul took the early lead while McArdle was making his way through the field. The races only caution came on lap 17, and caused McArdle to Paul's rear bumper. The two battled over the next few laps before McArdle took the lead with three laps to go.

South Alabama will have another Fan Appreciation Night on July 12. This Fan Appreciation Night will be for Late Model fans with the Pro Late Model Viper Series Mojave 100 scheduled along with local features. More information will be released in the near future. SAS will be closed on June 7. Action continues on June 14 with Feature for all local classes. For more information, call (334) 565-3539, or log on to the track's web site at www.southalabamasppeedway.com

Results

Super Stock

1. Scotty Anderson
2. Will Mack
3. Darryl Rudd
4. Todd Blackburn
5. Ronnie Peacock

DNS Arnie Larrimore

Modified

1. Kevin Peel
2. Jason Windham
3. Teddy Sasser
4. Mike Daniels
5. Lance Blackler

Vintage

1. Kip Whitehead
2. John Weaver
3. Teddy Sasser
4. Jamie Ater
5. Steve Stewart

Street Stock

1. Jody Henderson
2. Jeff Rudd
3. Jason Fowler
4. Justin Tye
5. Chris Salter

Roadrunner

1. Jason Singletary
2. Billy Maxie
3. Charles Gardner
4. John Singletary
5. Doug Powell

Coyote

1. Max Nelson
2. Javis Nelson II
3. Michael Smith
4. Lee Rogers
5. Brent Slawson

CupLite

1. Jack Whittle
2. Carroll Williams
3. Waylon Spivey
4. Chase Berry
5. Gary Anderson

Mini Sportsman

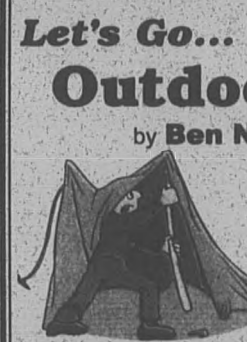
1. Paul Barnes
2. Josh Cherry
3. Eddy Hinson
4. Jeremy Geddings
5. Jeremy Peacock

DNS Herndon Buie

Legends

1. Brian McArdle
2. Ryan Paul
3. David Pritchett
4. Jeremy Lundy
5. Bo Martin

DNS Todd Pitts, Tyler McLeod



Let's Go... Outdoors with Ben

by Ben Norman, Sports Columnist

Don't let mosquitoes ruin your outing

Mosquitoes have probably ruined just as many camping trips and cookouts as thunderstorms have. While we have our share of mosquitoes, we can't begin to compete with the insect invasion some outdoorsmen have suffered in Alaska. A couple of friends who went on a caribou hunt told me about swarms so bad that they began to worry about keeping their sanity because of the hordes of insects that descended on them while cooking and crawling into their tent.

If you have ever camped and night fished in the lowlands of Alabama, you have probably had your own experiences with thirsty mosquitoes. But you don't have to be in the swamp to be plagued by these pesky drive-bombers.

While it is impossible to totally prevent mosquito bites there are some precautions that will greatly reduce their bites. We have all used commercial repellents that contain DEET. Mosquitoes hone in on humans because of the carbon dioxide that we give off. DEET doesn't actually repel mosquitoes as such but masks the carbon dioxide odor we give off making it harder for them to locate us.

Insect repellents containing DEET present few problems for most people when used as directed, but some experience skin irritations after using it. To avoid reactions from various insect repellents, apply sparingly. Care should be taken not to put clothes on over areas where DEET has been applied. Apply it to the outer layer of clothing instead. When I have to use a repellent I wash it off at the first opportunity when I am out of the reach of mosquitoes. If you have a reaction to repellents containing DEET, try a brand with a lower concentration. Repellent may be necessary when fishing and doing camp chores, but you don't need it in a tent with insect screening. Remember to always zip the mesh door to a tent immediately when entering or exiting or you may end up with a tent full of picnicking mosquitoes that night.

Long pants and a loose fitting, tightly woven shirt is one of the best combinations for warding off mosquitoes. The "tightly woven" part is the most important. If you can't find something tightly woven, add an undershirt beneath a long sleeve shirt. Mosquitoes have a hard time biting through two layers of cloth. Add a hat or cap that has a drape like the old French Legionnaire's cap. A handkerchief taped or pinned to a cap works just as well.

If mosquitoes are really bad, consider purchasing a mosquito head net and wear it over a wide brimmed hat. Add a pair of light colored gloves and sit where at least some of the campfire smoke is coming your way and you will be pretty well shielded.

But be prepared for some knee slapping laughter from your buddies when you pull out your "veil" and white gloves. They'll have the most laughs, but they'll have the most bits too.

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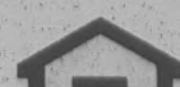
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